AMENDMENTS TO CLAIMS

1. (Currently Amended) A method of preventing passage of embolic material from a left atrial appendage of a patient, comprising:

providing a deployment catheter having an elongate flexible body with a proximal end and a distal end, and an implantable device removably carried by the distal end, said device comprising an impervious barrier, said device radially expandable from a reduced diameter to an enlarged diameter and configured to conform to an inside surface of the left atrial appendage;

positioning at least a portion of the device by passing the device into the ostium of the left atrial appendage in the left atrial appendage; and

enlarging the device within the left atrial appendage, wherein said <u>impervious</u> barrier extends across the left atrial appendage when enlarged so that the device circumferentially seals against the inside surface of the left atrial appendage.

- 2. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein the device self-expands to its enlarged shape.
- 3. (Original) The method of Claim 1, wherein the device includes an expandable frame.
- 4. (Currently Amended) The method of Claim 3, wherein the device includes a mesh <u>impervious</u> barrier operably connected to the expandable frame.
- 5. (Original) The method of Claim 1, further comprising releasing the device from the deployment catheter after the device is enlarged within the left atrial appendage.
- 6. 180. (Canceled)